

## BURN ORDINANCE SUMMARY

What can I burn?

- ✓ “Natural Wood” = branches and brush less than 4” in diameter.
- ✓ “Non-woody vegetation” = leaves, grass, yard trimmings and other organic materials

What type of burning requires a permit?

- ✓ Burning natural wood or non-woody vegetation when there **is no** snow on the ground surrounding the area where the burn will take place.
- ✓ A bonfire greater than thirty (30) inches in diameter when there is no snow on the ground surrounding the bonfire area.
- ✓ Burning construction or demolition materials and commercial wastes only if approved by the Department of Environmental Conservation.

What does not require a permit?

- ✓ Barbeque pits less than thirty (30) inches in diameter.
- ✓ Campfires or bonfires less than thirty (30) inches in diameter.
- ✓ Recreational burning of natural wood within a chiminea or similar open container.
- ✓ Burning natural wood or non-woody vegetation when there **is** snow on the ground surrounding the area where the burn will take place.

What are the rules for burning?

- ✓ All permitted and exempt fires shall be extinguished when not attended to.
- ✓ All individuals conducting a permitted or exempt fire shall have means available to keep the fire under control or to extinguish it immediately.
- ✓ A permitted or exempt fire is never allowed to smolder.
- ✓ No structure can be intentionally burned.
- ✓ An authorized individual may order any fire to be extinguished.
- ✓ An authorized individual may inspect material to be burned and deny issuance of a permit as a result of the inspection.
- ✓ No burning within 200’ of a woodland or forestland or field containing dry grass when there is no snow on the ground.